

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Please add the words shown by underline and delete the words shown by strikethrough.

1-45 (Cancelled).

- 46 (Currently amended): A composition comprising an An isolated neural progenitor cell derived in vitro from a human embryonic stem cell, wherein the cell expresses nestin, wherein the cell has been stabilized by contact with MEDII conditioned medium for greater than 2 passages, and wherein the cell can differentiate into more than one type of further differentiated neural cell.
- 47 (Currently amended): The ~~composition~~ isolated neural progenitor cell of Claim 46, wherein the cell has been stabilized by contact with MEDII conditioned medium for greater than 5 passages.
- 48 (Currently amended): The ~~composition~~ isolated neural progenitor cell of Claim 46, wherein the cell has been stabilized by contact with MEDII conditioned medium for greater than 10 passages.
- 49 (Currently amended): The ~~composition~~ isolated neural progenitor cell of Claim 46, wherein the cell has been stabilized by contact with MEDII conditioned medium for greater than 20 passages.
- 50 (Currently amended): The ~~composition~~ isolated neural progenitor cell of Claim 46, wherein the cell has been stabilized by contact with MEDII conditioned medium for greater than 30 passages.
- 51 (Currently amended): The ~~composition~~ isolated neural progenitor cell of Claim 46, wherein the cell has been stabilized by contact with MEDII conditioned medium for more than one year.
- 52 (Cancelled).

- 53 (Currently amended): The ~~composition~~ isolated neural progenitor cell of Claim 46, wherein the MEDII conditioned medium is a HepG2 conditioned medium.
- 54 (Currently amended): The ~~composition~~ isolated neural progenitor cell of Claim 46 , wherein the MEDII conditioned medium is essentially serum free.
- 55 (Currently amended): The ~~composition~~ isolated neural progenitor cell of Claim 46 , wherein the MEDII conditioned medium comprises at least a biologically active component selected from the group consisting of:
- (a) a large molecular weight extracellular matrix protein;
  - (b) a low molecular weight component comprising proline;
  - (c) a biologically active fragment of any of the proteins or components described in a) or b);
  - (d) an analog of any of the proteins or components described in a) or b);
  - (e) a neural inducing factor; and
  - (f) any combination thereof.